

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Marine Fisheries Service P.O. Box 21668 Juneau, Alaska 99802-1668 June 2008

Dear Federal Crab Vessel Permit Holder:

Enclosed are the application materials you need to renew your Federal Crab Vessel Permit (FCVP). *Your current FCVP expires June 30, 2008.*

The enclosed forms must be completed, signed, and returned to our office for processing; you may not commence fishing or processing activities for the 2008/2009 crab fishing year until you have received your new permit. Please allow at least ten working days for processing of your application.

Please note that we cannot issue any Crab Rationalization (CR) crab permits, including a renewal of an existing FCVP permit, until you have submitted any required Economic Data Reports (EDRs) and paid all crab cost recovery fee liabilities. If you are subject to either requirement, but have not yet fulfilled it, we urge you to do so as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about the enclosed form or about the CR program generally, please give us a call. We can be reached toll-free at 1-800-304-4846 (select option 2) or via facsimile at 907-586-7354. NMFS permit applications and instructions are available from RAM or on our Internet web site at: www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov. Our e-mail address is RAM.Alaska@noaa.gov.

Sincerely,

Jessica Charrett

Program Administrator

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